

PRESIDENT NICHOL PRESIDING

PRESIDENT: (Microphone not activated immediately) ...George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. We have with us this morning, as our Chaplain, Pastor Steve Gilchrist of the First Lutheran Church in Lincoln. Would you please rise.

PASTOR GILCHRIST: (Prayer offered.)

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.) Thank you, Pastor Gilchrist. Roll call, please.

CLERK: There is a quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Do you have any corrections this morning?

CLERK: No corrections, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Any messages, reports or announcements?

CLERK: Just one item and that is that LR 325 is ready for your signature.

PRESIDENT: While the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LR 325. Move on to resolutions, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 337 was offered by a number of the members. It's found on page 1503. (Read explanation of LR 337.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Miller, please.

SENATOR MILLER: Mr. President and members, it does give me great pleasure to introduce this resolution. I think it's the first resolution that I have introduced but this one is of utmost importance. We are celebrating National Agriculture Week, Nebraska being a major state in the production of agricultural products, this resolution was brought to this Legislature. And I will read you two Whereases and then the Resolve and a few statistics, if I may. Whereas, agriculture is the backbone of Nebraska's economy and one of the most important industries in the United States; and Whereas, National Agriculture Week was established to focus national attention on the agriculture industry and to allow farmers and ranchers the